NOTICE

TO: All Attorneys and Law Firms

FROM: Judge Charles Price, Presiding Judge

DATE: August 3, 2001

SUBJECT: Emailed Orders and Correspondence

- 1. The 15th Judicial Circuit is in the process of improving the methods by which we distribute orders and correspondence at the Montgomery County Courthouse. Initially, the offices of Judge Tracy McCooey and Judge Eugene Reese will implement a pilot project to distribute orders and limited correspondence electronically to law firms and attorneys. The emailed copy of orders and correspondence represents a valid and true copy of the original. However, parties, attorneys, and law firms should note that the original document is retained in the appropriate file in the Clerk's Office of the 15th Judicial Circuit. After a 30-60 day trial period we will evaluate the pilot and make a decision about expansion of this service to other judges' offices.
- 2. To ensure your correspondence is received in a timely and efficient manner, please email the following information to our office 15jc@alacourt.state.al.us by August 17, 2001:

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4. Please direct questions or comments to Fred Lilly at (334) 832-7170 or 15jc@alacourt.state.al.us. Your continued support is appreciated and we welcome any feedback on how we can improve the quality of service provided to attorneys and law firms.